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MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, May 30, 2017 10:30 a.m. **Room 521 House Office Building, Lansing**

Representative Cole, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Sneller.

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on May 23, 2017. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 239 Highways; other; transfer of abandoned highway; clarify. (Casperson)

Kendra Everett, representing Senator Casperson, was present to answer questions.

Representative Howell made a motion to report SB 239 with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas:: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Sneller. (14/14)

Navs: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 159 (Casperson) Traffic control; traffic regulation; gross vehicle weight limits;

provide exemption for certain natural gas vehicles.

Kendra Everett, representing Senator Casperson, was present to answer questions.

Representative Alexander made a motion to report SB 159 with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas:: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander,

Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Sneller. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

SB 160 (Casperson) Vehicles; motorcycles; definitions of autocycle and motorcycle; modify.

Kendra Everett, representing Senator Casperson, spoke to the Committee regarding SB 160.

J. R. Burke, representing Polaris, spoke to the Committee in support of SB 160.

Vince Consiglio, representing ABATE of Michigan, spoke in opposition to SB 160.

David Richmond, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, answered questions regarding SB 160.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4054 (Hughes) Transportation; school vehicles; enhanced rear lighting for school buses; mandate.

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt HB 4054 (H-1).

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Sneller. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Hughes reviewed the provisions of the H-1 substitute with the Committee.

Nancee Privacky spoke in support of HB 4054.

Howard (Mac) Dashney, representing the Michigan Association for Pupil Transportation, spoke in support of HB 4054.

Kathleen Merry, representing Wayne RESA, submitted a card indicating support for HB 4054.

Aaron Keel, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards, submitted a card indicating support for HB 4054.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4319 (VanderWall)

Vehicles; registration plates; disabled veteran registration plates; allow surviving spouse of totally disabled veteran to use disabled veteran registration plate.

Representative VanderWall reviewed the provisions of HB 4319 with the Committee.

Ron Martin of Ludington, Michigan spoke in support of HB 4319.

David Richmond, representing the Michigan Secretary of State, submitted a card indicating a neutral position on the bill.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4466 (Howrylak)

Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a vehicle while sending or receiving a message on an electronic wireless device; enhance.

The following individuals spoke to the Committee in support of HB 4466:

John Lindenmayer, representing the League of Michigan Bicyclists John Waterman, Shawn Kohsmann and James Klemola, representing PEAC Edward Huck, representing the Amateur Radio League

James Walker, representing the National Motorists Association, spoke in opposition to HB 4466.

Cards indicating support for HB 4466 were submitted by:

Kevin McKinney, representing the Michigan Brain Injury Provider Council and CPAN Denise Sloan, representing the Michigan Academy of Pediatrics

Bob Wilson, representing the Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance

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Vince Consiglio, representing ABATE of Michigan

Tom Constano, representing the Brain Injury Association of Michigan

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Cole declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:59 a.m.

Representative Triston Cole, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538